

# TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY

## PRELIMINARY HOLIDAY REPORT

June 2, 2011

### 2011 MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY

6 PM, FRIDAY, MAY 27 – 11:59 PM, MONDAY, MAY 30

### 78-HOUR HOLIDAY PERIOD

- FATAL CRASHES: 10**

Six crashes were single vehicle crashes; four were multiple vehicle crashes.

- FATALITIES: 10**

Two (20%) of the fatalities occurred in alcohol-related crashes.

Five of the people killed were vehicle occupants.

Three of the five (60%) were not wearing safety restraints.

No child passengers requiring child restraint devices were killed.

One pedestrian was killed.

Four motorcyclists were killed; three were wearing helmets.

### FATALITY LOG

	DAY	TIME	COUNTY	HIGHWAY	NUMBER KILLED	ALCOHOL RELATED
1.	Saturday	2:20 AM	Wayne	County	1	NO
2.	Saturday	8:51 AM	Rutherford	City	1	NO
3.	Saturday	10:49 AM	Cumberland	State Route	1	NO
4.	Saturday	3:10 PM	Cumberland	Interstate	1	NO
5.	Saturday	3:20 PM	Sullivan	County	1	NO
6.	Saturday	6:57 PM	Overton	County	1	NO
7.	Saturday	11:28 PM	Lawrence	City	1	YES
8.	Sunday	8:55 PM	DeKalb	County	1	YES
9.	Monday	12:14 AM	Sevier	County	1	NO
10.	Monday	1:46 PM	Montgomery	City	1	NO

- The number of fatalities for last year's 78-hour holiday period was 13.**

### HIGHEST DEATHS

In 1973, 26 people were killed in traffic crashes in Tennessee during a 78-hour Memorial Day holiday period, yielding a fatality rate of one death per 3.0 hours.

### LOWEST DEATHS

In 2002, 5 people were killed in traffic crashes in Tennessee during a 78-hour Memorial Day holiday period, yielding a fatality rate of one death per 15.0 hours and 36 minutes.